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DECLARATION FOR U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name:

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

A METHOD OF KEEPING AN AQUEOUS SOLUTION OF SODIUM BORATE LIQUID AT AMBIENT TEMPERATURE

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following is checked:

was filed on _____ as United States Application Number _____ and was filed on September 13, 2004 as PCT International Application Number PCT/FR04/02311 and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claim(s), as amended by any amendment referred above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 115 (a) – (d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application for which priority is claimed.

Priority Claimed			
(List prior foreign applications. See note A)	03 10871 (Number)	FRANCE (Country)	16.09.2003 (Day/Month/Year Filed)
	03 11129 (Number)	FRANCE (Country)	26.09.2003 (Day/Month/Year Filed)
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(See note B) See attached list for additional prior foreign applications

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, provided as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application to the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

Status			
(List prior U.S. Applications)	(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)	<input type="checkbox"/> Patented <input type="checkbox"/> Pending <input type="checkbox"/> Abandoned
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like to make are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18 of the United States Code, § 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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